

REMARKS

Applicant has amended claims 1-5, 15 and 16 and canceled claims 12 and 14 without prejudice. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments to the claims are supported by the application as originally filed and do not contain any new matter. Accordingly, the Office Action will be discussed in terms of the claims as amended.


The Examiner has objected claims 12, 15 and 16 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten into independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended claims 1-5 to include the limitations of claim 12, rewritten claims 15 and 16 into independent form and canceled claims 12 and 14. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-11, 13 and 15-17 are now all allowable and Applicant accepts these allowed claims.

In view of the above, therefore, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment be entered and favorably considered.

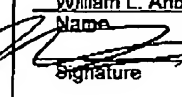
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